

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A program control system for controlling an execution of a second application by employing an execution result of a first application, comprising:
 - a converting unit for converting said execution result of the first application in order that the execution result of said first application is used by said second application; and
 - a program executing unit for executing second application by employing said converted execution result.
2. A program control system for controlling an execution of a second application by employing an execution result of a first application, comprising:
 - a converting program for converting said execution result of the first application in order that the execution result of said first application is used by said second application;
 - means for operating said converting program in response to an end of the execution of said first application; and
 - means for operating said second application in response to an end of the execution of said first application.
3. A program control system as claimed in claim 1 wherein:
 - both the means for operating said converting program and the means for operating said second

application are controlled by a workflow management program operable in response to the end of the execution of said first application.

4. A program control system for controlling an execution of a second application by employing an execution result of a first application, comprising:

 a converting program for converting said execution result of the first application in order that the execution result of said first application is used by said second application;

 a process for operating said converting program in response to an end of the execution of said first application; and

 a process for operating said second application in response to an end of the execution of said first application.

5. A program for operating a workflow server program and an application program in relation to each other, wherein:

 said program receives data from said workflow server program so as to initiate said application program;

 said program transmits said received data to the initiated application program; and

 said program transmits a status change request to said workflow server in order to transit the present work item to a next work item.

6. A program for operating a workflow server

program and an application program in relation to each other, as claimed in claim 5 wherein:

 said program contains translator mapping information every work item processed in a workflow system for processing a series of work items in relation thereto, said translator mapping information being related to both a format of the data received from said workflow server program and a format of the data transmitted to said application program;

 said program discriminates control data from data which should be processed by the application program, said control data being contained in said received data and being employed in the workflow server;

 said program extracts the data which should be processed be the application program; and

 said program converts said extracted data based upon said translator mapping information to transmit the converted data to said application program.

7. A program for operating a workflow server program used to manage a procedure of a series of work items and an application program in relation to each other, wherein:

 said program transmits a process result acquiring request to said application program;

 said program receives data about a process result from said application program in response to

said transmitted process result acquiring request; and
 said program transmits both said received
 data about the process result and a status change
 request for requesting a transition to a next work item
 to the workflow server program.

8. A program for operating a workflow server
 program and an application program in relation to each
 other, as claimed in claim 7 wherein:

 said program contains translator mapping
 information every work item said translator mapping
 information being related to both a format of the data
 received from said workflow server program and a format
 of the data transmitted to said application program;

 said program discriminates control data from
 data which should be processed by the application
 program, said control data being contained in said
 received data and being employed in the workflow
 server;

 said program extracts the data which should
 be processed by the application program; and

 said program converts said data extracted on
 a basis of said translator mapping and transmits data
 converted to said application.

9. A program for operating a workflow server
 program and an application program in relation to each
 other, wherein:

 said program grasps an operation status of
 said application program; and

said program transmits status information to
 said workflow server program in response to said
 operation status.

10. A program as claimed in claim 9 wherein:

 said operation status includes at least any
 one of:

 a status under which said program initiates
 said application program:

 a status under which said program transmits
 the process data to said application program; and

 a status under which said program acquires
 the data about the process result from said application
 program.

11. A program as claimed in claim 9 wherein:

 said operation information includes at least
 any one of a work ready status, a work performing
 status, and a work completed status.